

Gallatin 4-H Unlimited Leaders Council
June 12, 2007
MacKenzie River Pizza, Belgrade, MT

CALL TO ORDER: 6:43pm by Vice-President, Kelley Phipps.

ROLL CALL: Council members present were Sandra Fiegi, Shay Fiegi, Leia Miller, Chris Phipps, Kelley Phipps, Betsy Heckel, and Todd Kesner. Guests present were Barb Barber, Rich Barber, and Sonja Berg.

SECRETARY'S REPORTS: Betsy moved, seconded by Sandra, that the minutes be approved as written. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Sandra moved, seconded by Chris, that the Treasurer's Report be approved as written. Motion carried.

GUEST PRESENTATIONS: Barb and Rich Barber presented us with an overview from the Equine Law Clinic. Highlights from the clinic include the following. 85% of accidents while riding occur while on the horse, and 15% of those accidents could be lessened or prevented with the use of a helmet. Barb requests that wearing helmets be made mandatory at the Fair. An adult should never be alone with a child, even if it's the same sex. Make sure that safety measures are in place for the lowest level rider in your group. The Colt to Maturity Project contains the greatest risk, and people should be made aware upfront of the risk involved with the project. You should be very proactive as to what is on your property to prevent liability issues. With all the laws in place for Montana, 4-H is very well covered from most all angles when it come to liability. Barb is going to leave the booklet she received with the 4-H office so that it is available to anyone in 4-H. In closing, Barb expressed her thanks for sending her to this workshop.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Sonja asked for clarification on the Livestock Leaders Forum and funds available in various accounts.

COMMITTEE AND LEADER REPORTS:

- Willow Creek Classic: Willow Creek Classic was held at Hellgate Campground, and there were 37 people in attendance this year. Kelley and Chris reported that Willow Creek Classic was a lot of fun and a huge success. Highlight include a class on edible weeds, Native American pictographs, visiting and playing games at the Visitor's Center, and a trip to the Coast Guard. Sailing was also scheduled, but high winds prevented the group from sailing.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- Coupon Cards: Leia moved, seconded by Betsy, to go ahead with the coupon cards. with printing costs of \$1500.00 to be taken from National 4-H Congress Member Trips. Motion carried. It will take selling 70 cards to break even.
- CIT Scholarships: There were two CIT Scholarships received totaling \$230.00. Betsy moved, seconded by Chris to fund these two applications totaling \$230.00. Motion carried. Sandra moved, seconded by Chris to fund the \$230.00 from the Late Fee side account. Motion carried.
- Camp Scholarship: One 4-H Camp scholarship was received with the family asking for their 4-H Enrollment fee to be scholarshiped as well. Betsy moved, seconded by Chris to scholarship this member \$75.00 to attend 4-H Camp. Funds are to be taken from the Late Fee Side Account and waive the enrollment late fee, provided the family pay \$15.00 to enroll the child in 4-H. Motion carried.
- New Montana 4-H Foundation Rep Needed: Sandra would entertain the notion of being the new representative.
- Dog Wash At Murdoch's Sat., July 14 from 1 - 3pm: Leia will contact the Dog Obedience and Dog Agility project to see if they would help.
- Fairgrounds News: Wrist bands for 4-H'ers and their family will be \$8.00 for the week. The Fair Grounds have implemented a \$5.00 parking fee of which 4-H will be exempt. The Livestock Sale will be held in the Indoor Arena this year.
- Big Horn County Exchange: Big Horn County would like us to host their members on August 9 - 11, 2007, and they would like to host Gallatin County members on August 17 - 19, 2007. At this point, there appears to be no interest.
- Record Books Required at Fair: This question was brought to the council via another leader. The consensus is that yes, record books are required to be current at the fair in order to receive premiums. Records books are supposed to be reviewed at interviews to make sure they are complete and the list turned into the 4-H Office. Keeping track and patrolling record books with the size of the county is a difficult task, especially with members-at-large. In order for this to work, the interviewing judge must make sure the record book is complete, keep a list, and the project leader turn in that list.
- 4-H BB Gun Funds: Due to the change in age requirements at the state level, the BB Gun Project is no longer affiliated with 4-H. They

have a side account with 4-H and requested that 4-H release the money to them to fund their trip to Kentucky. Sandra moved, seconded by Betsy that we give back the \$528.69 to the BB Gun program. Motion carried.

- July Council Meeting: Sandra moved, seconded by Betsy that we not hold the July meeting. Motion carried.
- Drug Proofing Kids: Leia recently attended a Drug Proofing Kids Workshop that is put out by Focus on the Family. She reported it was an excellent workshop, and though that it might make a great project. Todd suggested we look into this after Fair.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- TBA ~ Horse Committee Meeting
- July 10-13, 2007 ~ Montana 4-H Congress
- July 18-22, 2007 Gallatin County Fair
- July 26, 2006 ~ Gallatin 4-H Foundation Summer Meeting
- August 14, 2007 ~ Gallatin 4-H Unlimited Leaders Council Meeting
- March 6-9, 2008 WRLF 2008 in Boise Idaho [Http://www.4h.uidaho.edu/wrlf/](http://www.4h.uidaho.edu/wrlf/)

ADJOURNED: The meeting was adjourned at 8:29 pm by Vice-President, Kelley Phipps.

Secretary: Leia Miller/klp